ind by stamps for its return.

Washington, Dec. 2.—For Lower Michigan—Local rains or snow in east-ern portions; westerly winds; slightly

There will be any number of obituary notices of Jay Gould. The trend set of them will be to represent m as a shrewd, scheming financier thout a generous quality of beart. His moral and mental forces will afford a prolific me for exegetical criticism. His lliant financial strokes will afford material for acute comparus made at the expense of our peculiar opportunities for acquiring riches. All this will follow because he was a dashing speculator, a successful manlator in stocks. Jay Gould was not different from the common run of men. He was born of humble parentage, and began the race of life a penuiless boy. By his native merit and indemitable pluck he early secured foundation for the colossal fortune he afterwards amassed. He was not popularly accredited with having a spirit of philanthropy. His ambition was solely to gain riches. In gratifying that ambition he had the peculiar foresight which measures the omining present by the probabilities of the future and which seldom errs. Jay Gould never figured in a financial nie as a loser. He was ever the master mind-the controlling, conquering force, in money deals. He was never dissuaded in his purpose to acquire wealth because others would lose Knowing the eagerness with which others would rush to bankrupt him he parried their atks and repulsed them. In the ruin of others' fortunes he was the Phoenix. The world of finance bated bim. The mmon people despised him. There no term of contempt, no shaft of ridicule too pointed to hurl at him. Yet Jay Gould did just what every one

railway circles. The world will move

PENSION PARASITES. When the democrats shall take the ns of government, they will be conented with a pension list calling for an expenditure aggregating \$180,000,-This stupendous sum is distributed to the survivors of the war of the rebellion, their families and deent relatives. It exceeds the pension roll of any nation on earth. It is a greater sum than is expended by any government to maintain its standing my. It is the grandest testimony to the prosperity of a generous people over conceived. The American people int with exclamations of pride to this nument to their gratitude. But like all public benefices this one has been shamelessly abused. To attempt to veil this fact by the use of glittering generalties designed to mislead the ic will avail little to break its force. There are thousands of persons drawing quarterly stipends from the government who commit unquestioned theft every time they do it. This does not reflect in the least on those who are worthiny entitled to receive the unmiffahly given tributes of gratitude. The evil wrought by the sinister and covetous leeches on the pension roll will not imperil the gratuities to the deserving ones, but it will lead to a readjustment by the enemies of the pension roll, the democrats. That there is need for a readjustment is obvious when a non-partisan newspaper, The Journal of Finance, calls attention to the evil as follows: "The abuses of granting pensions are enormous. The sions attorneys who have influence in that bureau have used their power to a degree bordering almost on to criminality. At least one-third on the pension list today have no right to the ner they are drawing with regularity, promptitude and with unblushing availity." These conditions will confront the democrats, and they will remove them without mutiment or pity.

TEMPERANCE SOUCATION. To the theorist the subject of tem-

rance reform is based on the prohion of the manufacture and sain of Equar. The political theorets assume ee no salvation for the drunkard except in the legal suppression of the liquer traffic. It is noteworthy that very few reformed inebriates are iden-Effed with the political theorists. These latter are unitormly men of mone predilections and sympathetic natures. They are guided by a desire to do away with the evils of intemperance. They know little of the misery it entalk except by observation. The raformed mebrate knows all about these things. He has tasted the hitter cup of experience and shrinks in the pres-

ence of temptation. But he knows, too, that the laws have little to do in governing a man's will and appetite. He can see that to make the obta of alcoholic beverages difficult by legal prohibition or restriction is to add to the vice of drunkenness a score of other vices. The reformed inebriate is mbitious to be a man among men to retrieve the injury wrought by reckstands that within himself is the bulwark of future sobriety. The sale and opportunity to sell whiskey do not concern him, only as he may deliberately purpose to sacrifice his manhood a second time. If he so purposes no law is strong enough to withstand the cyclonic fury of his desire. Men cannot be made sober by law. They cannot be kept sober by law. From a moral standpoint as well might baptism by immersion be prohibited to compet men to be other than baptists as to prohibit the manufacture and sale of quor to compel men to be sober. Human nature rebels against such inter-ference with personal rights. The only cure for this great social evil is in education. If the young are taught the swift and terrible punishment to the swift and terrible punishment to intimate acquaintance." — Chicago body, soul and mind attendant upon News Record. inebriety the future will be much more secure from the ravages of drunkenness than by ten thousand times ten thousand prohibitive legal enactments. It is easier to educate men to be sober than to reform drunkards by law or cure.

DEACON JOHNSTON'S complimentary banquet to the Press club was characteristic of the popular boniface in every respect. The tempting menu was relished by the newspaper makers, and nobody seemed to enjoy the scene, when the tables were crowded with the genial fellows of the press and their companions, more than did Deacon Johnston and his amiable wife.

BOURKE COCKRAN has retired for a brief season to revise his famous speech made at Chicago. It is said that he will paraphrase that meteoric phrase of impassioned eloquence so as to read: "Mr. Cleveland is a popular man; I repeat, Mr. Cleveland is an extraordinarily popular man, every day in the year" (pause) "including election day."

He fought his way to \$250,000,000 against insuperable obstacles. He was cold hearted enough to enjoy the discomfiture of others and wise enough to keep his own against the combined attacks of numberless operators. What Grant was to the union arms Gould was to the world of finance, irresistible, immovable and triumphant,

Reports of outlawry and brigandage perpetrated by bold highwaymen in of us, not excepting the poorest, would Chicago seem to suggest that the do if we could. He was favored not by friends of Sunday opening for the all and every odds to fame and world's fair are making a concerted movement to carry their point. If a dangerous, uncertain factor in be no safety outside the fair grounds on Sunday or any other day, along just the same and his millions

will be distributed to protect, but not GOVERNOR OSBORNE of Wyoming has to control the gigantic enterprises taken possession of the state house by which he controlled with iron hand force of arms and gall. He probably is anxious to make as great a donkey of himself as his limited auricular facilities will permit. He has an illustrious precedent in the case of Thayer of Nebraska.

> ONLY a mouth will elapse before the egislature will convene. The council is reminded that any proposed charter amendments ought to be brought forward without delay, and a full discuscussion had. The early bills catch the governor's signature.

> Can it be that millenium has dawned? Henri Watterson, in reply to a reporter's request for an opinion on Cleveland's future policy, exclaimed: "I have no opinion to express on any subject in the world!"

> MR. CLEVELAND has been subprensed to answer for illegal duck hunting. If that subposes had been served one brief month ago he might not have bagged so many votes.

WITH a policeman on every corner Chicago is at the mercy of thugs. The colicemen ought to be called in to restore confidence among the people. TRADE is slightly unsettled by the

Gould. The former will return after many days, but the latter, never. Ir has not been announced that General Sickles will be commissioner of

pensions. He will take the office Ir is pearing the time for the mem-

bers of the legislature to make grateful acknowledgements for their annual rallway passes.

HENRY VILLARD will not take a cabinet pudding. He prefers to be at liberty to dine with a clear head and easy

STATE PRESS GOSSIP. Now that it is evident that the re-publicans will have a good working majority in the next legislature, demoorgans are beginning to shout short session. They were always for a short session. They were always in favor of a short session except when their party is in control, when they lose their real. The last session, notwithstanding the ante-election promises of the "reformers," was the longest on record.—Lonia Sentinel.

est on record.—Ionia Sentinel.
In a New York interview, Senator McMillan said: "Senator Stockbridge will undoubtedly be re-elected." Mr. McMillan knows. His report of the expenditures of the republican state central committee shows that it cost him \$40,000 to know. Ex-Governor Luce may as well take his little laugh now he will not be in eight when McMillan finally presses the button.—Ionia Standard.

Manager Crisp has arrived in Washington, where he is making arrange-ments for the return engagement of his justly delebrated vandeville com-pany. This will is the farewell ap-pearance of some of the most notable

performers in the troups.-Detroit Tri As though the foot ball craze was not already quite bad enough, the New York preachers have began to attack the sport.—Kalamazoo Gazette.

ALLEGED TO BE FUNNY.

"What has become of Timson istely?" "I don't know. He placed himself in the hands of his friends just before election and he hasn't been seen since."—New York Press.

Brown-"What's all that row in the kitchen, Nora? Can't you pacify Rob-ert and make him stop that infernal

howling?"

Nora (the cook, indignantly)—
"Young Masther Bobby pulled an oleicle aff the back fince, sorr, an' laid it undher the kitchen shtove, an' now he shwares O1 shtole it."—Judge.

Mr. Hayseed -- These New Yorkers jes' rush theirselves to teath. Why on arth do they kill theirselves that Mrs. Hayseed—"Land sakes! they've tot to. Think of the rents they pay." -New York Weekly.

A Definition-Little Williea sinecure, papa" His father—"A sinecure, my son, is a position that someone else puts you into, and for which you draw the salary, while a third man does the work."—Puck.

"May I kies you?" "Yes, but re-member that I shall take it as a sign of

NOTES ABOUT PERSONS. Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland have been in-wited to attend the Patriarchs' dinner and ball in Boston, December 12. Daniel Crowley of Texas has written to the president-elect that if he will come down there he will show him where he bagged 294 mallard ducks in one day.

There are two well known brokers in Wall street—their name is Wormser—who provide against the contingency of both being killed at the same time and the firm being broken up by not traveling in the same train on the elevated railroad in New York.

Now that cool weather has come President Harrison has taken to pedes trian pleasures once more, and there is scarcely a fine afternoon now when he does not go out for a tramp of several miles. He did so on Thanksgiving day, after attending service. Many children who attend the pub

lic schools of Dubuque, Ia., have just been confirmed by Bishop Hennessy. Local Catholics argue that this inlicates a modification of the vatican's fecree that all Catholic children should attend the parochial schools.

July has proved a fatal month to presidents. John Adams, Thomas Jef-ferson, James Monroe, Zachary Taylor, M. Van Buren, Andrew Johnson, U. S. Grant, all died in July. James A. Gar-field received his death wound in July. Miss Fawcett, who came out ahead of the senior wrangler of Cambridge, England, is still in residence in the college to which she belongs, and will probably remain as the mathematical

ecturer of Newnham. Father Tolton, the first American

black man to be made a priest, objects to being called "colored." "That word is an offensive affectation. I am a negro—a wooily-headed negro," says Father Tolton. Miss Ella Hudson of Gothenburg,

was among the successful applicants for the position of government micro-scopist. Her duties will be in the meat inspection department at South Omaha. Attorney General Miller is quoted by a Washington reporter as saying that he paid out every year for campaign

Petamuls, Cal., has given \$50,000 as a fund from the income of which aid is to be given to the poor of the district. The prosecuting attorney of Kal-kaska county, Michigan, was elected in 1886 by 1 majority, in 1886 by 2 and

Dr. Elliott Cones, the ornithologist, says the feather of a bird is merely the scale of a lizard or serpent modified. M. Gounod declares that his finest inspirations come while he is having a quiet game of cards.

HIT AND MISS STORIES A mere surplus is not wealth, pros-perity or even comfort, whether that surplus be in the form of food, fuel, time or money. Wealth depends on the ability to exchange what you do not want for what you do want, and that ability resides in unrestricted com-merce. When all nations can freely exchange their products there will be work and wealth for all.—New York

After months of imprisonment on a theory of "probably guilty" Miss Lizze Borden is likely to be released on a hypothesis of "probably not guilty." When she walks out her accusers should take her place on a verdict of "probably knaves" and in due time be discharged on a decision of "only fools."—New York Herald.

American public opinion will not tol-erate the growth of a foreign influence on the Istomus of Panama immical to the supremacy of American commer-cial and political interests there. France should not need to learn anew the lesson taught by the fall of Maximilian.— New York Tribune.

It looks as though the big ditch on the Isthmus of Panama were destined to be the grave of some great reputa-tions as well as the burial place of some great fortunes. France has lost enor-mously, both of character and fortune, in that luckless enterprise.—New York going out of gold and the going out of

Immigrants who have not been long enough in this country to become naturalized protesting against immigra-tion is not the least amusing and sug-gestive spetacle that we are called on to witness.—New York Recorder.

It has been discovered at Washington that a rigid enforcement of the latest anti-Chinese law would cost about \$10,000,000. It is only in such calculations as this that the law has so far cut much of a figure.-Evening World. It is rather amusing to find a long

census report on tin in the United States which starts out with the frank confession that tin mining in this coup try has not yet produced any commer with his occasional throat troubles. Mr. Cleveland should bear in mind that duck-hunting exposures have their palatopharingeniaryngeal dangers. Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

So long as the Irish fight among bemselves when they have an elec tion, so long will the tories have an un-answerable argument against home rule. -- Baltimore American.

The office-seeker presses the button and Mr. Cleveland takes a rest. - Wash ington Post.

Violated an Ordinance, Thomas Hart was arrested yesterday on complaint of M. C. Sessions for driving over a sidewalk. Hart was arraigned in police court and pleaded not guilty. The case was allourned to December 3. Joe Constant was also arrested for driving a mad of coal on the sidewalk. He paid the costs and was discharged.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN, Before you put on your new bonnet consider whether your hair is arranged for good effect. The new styles of hair dressing are not only beautiful and most womanly, but they provide a guarantee of cleanliness. Only the frequently washed and carefully brushed locks will part and wave softly. No longer will it do to give the mere fringe in front a hasty scrub once a week, or once in two, to keep it "fluffy." More than a mere fringe is involved in the present styles. The involved in the present styles. The whole head must be washed at least once a week. Indeed, it seems to me that the new fashions are going to put women through a rejuvenating course. No corsets, exercise to bring out the muscles about the waist,



that she may not look a bean pole in that she may not look a bean pole in an empire gown, hair done loosely and to look well washed once a week and brushed every day. The throat freed from tailor-made collars, and circulation restored by that and looseness generally. All our women will be Venuses in no time, with radiantskins, serene tempers, glossy, luxuriant hair and divine figures.

Fluffy bodices are in harmony with

and divine figures.

Fluffy bodices are in harmony with fluffy hair. The above illustration shows a dressy and useful silk blouse for a young girl. It is a morning bodice of cream surah, with large fancy designs in light green, trimmed with narrow pleatings and a fancy braid in shades of rose, green and gold on a cream ground.

I have just seen a beautiful wedding gown of ivory white satin, made in

I have just seen a beautiful wedding gown of ivory white satin, made in princess style with a seamless bodice, the front fullness of which was drawn into eight extremely narrow pleats, four on each side of the concealed opening at the waist. A cascading of soft white blonde, prettily patterned, formed a V in front of the bodice and fell gracefully over the puffed shoulders. The collar was edged with blonde and the short full jabot was of silk gause and blonde, effectively mixed. The skirt was plain, except for a crossed rouleau of satin around the foot. The handsome Brussels lace weil foot. The handsome Brussels lace veil was an heirloom, and had been worn by sisters, mother and even a genera-tion further back. The orthodox white FLORETTE

MORE VOTES FOR BELKNAP. Several Errors Were Found in the Fourth

It is evident the recount committee is getting tired and fretful. Yesterday purposes an average of over 12 per morning Supervisor Benjamine coment of his official salary.

Harrison Mecham, a millionaire of and whispered about doubtful ballots betamula, Cal., has given \$50,000 as a before the committee had fully deterbefore the committee had fully determined how they should be counted. He did not think it proper for those looking on to be whispering together about a ballot. The committee was abundantly able to do the work without the aid of outsiders. Mr. Launiere was somewhat "riled" because James A. Cove. who save he represents Mr.

was somewhat "riled" because James A. Coye, who says he represents Mr. Belknap personally, offered his opinion of a ballot before all members of the committee had seen it.

A ticket was found in the second precinct of the fourth ward which had a cross at the head of the republican ticket. A cross was also placed directly over all the names on the republican ticket, except Messrs. Clark, Swensberg, Rich, Jochim, Hambitzer and Diekema. Mr. Emmons thought there was no doubt but the voter intended it for a straight republican ballot. Mr. Benjamine wished to count it for Belknap, but Mr. Emmons at last voted to throw the ballot out, which was done.

A great many objections were raised by both parties at different times, but beyond the noting of exceptions by Mr. Turner, they amounted to nothing. Belking gained six votes in the fourth wast and lost four in the first precinct of the fifth ward. The first precinct of the fourth ward gave Belknap a gain of nine votes, and the second precinct a gain of two. The third and fourth precinct gave Richardson a gain of five, leaving Belknap's net gain in that ward six.

In the first precinct of the fifth ward where the count ended, Richard-son gained four.

The result was as as follows: Fourth

ward, first precinct — Beiknap 134, Richardson 301, Clute 3, not counted 11; Belknap's gain 9. Second Precinct—Belknap 169, Richardson 243, Clute 9, not counted 18;

ardson 243, Clute 9, not counted 18; Belknap's gain two.

Third Precinct—Belknap 304, Richardson 256, Clute 20, not counted 14; Richardson's gain two.

Fourth Precinct—Belknap 253, Richardson's gain 3.

Fifth Ward, First Precinct—Belknap 166, Richardson 230, Clute 33, not counted 23; Richardson's gain 4. Belknaps net gain two. knaps net gain two.

SANITARY INSPECTORS.

Size of the Force Discussed by the Board of Health.

The question of sanitary inspectors vas the matter of most importance before the monthly meeting of the board of health yesterday afternoon. Alder-man Bail asked if it were not possible to reinstate General Stevens, the vet-eran inspector who was laid off one month ago. Dr. Bradfield thought two month ago. Dr. Bradfield thought two inspectors should be kept at work during the winter. It has been customary in past years to keep two men to work for the office and one man on the dumping ground. During the winter there will be no general inspection kept up, but just enough men employed to answer complaints made by citizens, and an inspection of the central alleys of the city. Colonel Calkins said that if an inspector were to be kept, assist from the special inspector, that General Stevens was the best man for the place. On motion of Alderman Ball

Dr. Dele. Ordinances—The mayor and Dr. Edie. Drains and sewers—Dr. Dale and O. A. Ball. Public buildings and hospitals—Dr. Edie and the mayor.

REPORTED ON THE HERBARIUM

he class room on the second floor of the high school building in which the the high school building in which the K. S. I. held its meeting last night. The regular business was soon disposed of, and the paper of the evening was read. It was a report of Miss Emily Cole on her work in the herbarium of the institute. Miss Cole has done some hard work in classifying and arranging the material of the institute in such a manner that it will be of practical use to the members and to the pupils in the schools.

schools.

The herbarium was founded some years ago by Miss Marion Hosford, who donated 3,840 specimens of eastern plants to the Kent Scientific Institute. Last year the board of education provided the cases for the collection, and the classes in botany have interested themselves in collecting, and have added many local plants to the collection. the plants are now all arranged on shelves which are labeled with the or-der of plants. Each genus is placed in a seperate cover, and labeled. There are now ninety-eight orders repre-sented in the collection. In the report Miss Cole gave an explanation of the process of preserving plants. After they are properly preserved and dried they are soaked in a solution of alcohol and corrosive sublimate, to keep off the insects. The collection now contains twenty-eix species of orchids and forty of ferns.

PRESS MEN MADE MERRY At a Banquet Tendered Them by Deaco

Deacon J. K. Johnston entertained the newspaper men of the city sumptuously last night by an elegant banquet at the Eagle hotel. Tables were set for sixty and sat down to at 10 o'clock by a company of fifty of the editorial and news writers, many of them accompanied by their wives. The tables were handsomely decorated and boutonnieres were found at each plate. The hour was thoughtfully set at the time when both morning and afternoon editors and reporters could best be spared from their "grind," and the viands and sociabilities of the occasion were hugely enjoyed.

After a lengthy discussion of the many choice edibles, W. B. Weston was announced as toastmaster, and toasts were responded to by the host of the evening, (who magnanimously forgave all writers present for roasts in reference to the late election), also by Colonel Aldrich, Prof. Sweneberg, T. W. Fletcher, George De Haven, L. G. Stuart, W. H. Turner, Will Turner and the Rev. Dr. Jackson. The banqueters dispersed at midnight and will long remember the happy event.

BAPTIST WORKERS CONFER. the newspaper men of the city sump-

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On How Revivals May Best be Pro-

Last night the anual conference of the Grand Rapids Baptist district was begun in the Calvary Baptist church.
Last evenings program was a young
people's raily. The Rev. E. H. Shoutes
led the song service. The Rev. J. Marshall led in a short discussion, "What
Do I Live For?" John Atkins responded to the question. "How Can I

Help My Pastor?"

The subject of the evening, "The Primary Mission of the Church," was discussed by the Rev. C. E. Conley discussed by the Rev. C. E. Conley, state superintendent of missions. Mr. Conley said the sole and only object of the church is to save souls, and he treated the subject from a proud and liberal standpoint, dwelling upon the influence that the church should exert, and the methods it should use to bring souls into the kingdom. Consecration services followed Mr. Conley's sermon. The conference will resume at 9 o'clock this morning. this morning.

Soldiers Are Indignant. Local military men are greatly sur-prised and quite indignant over the ap-pointment of Dr. J. E. Clark of Detroit pointment of Dr. J. E. Clark of Detroit to be surgeon-general of the state troops, vice Dr. C. M. Woodward, re-signed. It was hoped that when Gen-eral Bowen took command the Second regiment would at least get what be-longs to it, and as Maj. W. F. Hake of the Second is ranking surgeon of the brigade, it was expected that he would receive the promotion which he brigade, it was expected that he would receive the promotion which he has won by his long and faithtul attention to duty. All the local men are loud in denouncing the action of General Bowen in jumping a man who is almost the junior officer in the medical department over Dr. Hake. Major Clark's commission in the Fourth regiment dates from 1889, while that of Major Hake dates back to 1883.

Lincoln Club Meeting

Lincoln Club Meeting.

C. W. Watkins, president of the Lincoln Republican club has appointed the following gentlemen as a committee on arrangements for the club: Dr. J. B. Griswold, chairman, the Hon. George G. Steketee, Hon. M. S. Crosby, Hon. Moses Taggart, J. S. Hirth, F. A. Maynard, C. N. McGill, George Clappert n. George Bunnell, the Hon. Cyrus Perkins, William Alden Smith, C. K. Gibson, John W. Blodgett and John Patton, Jr. The committee will meet in the parlors of the Morton house this evening at 7:30.

Imperial Lodge Election. Imperial Lodge Election.

The annual election of officers of Imperial lodge, No. 154, K. of P., took place last right. The result is as follows: J. M. Wolcott, P. C.; W. B. Perkins, C. C.; F. S. Milmine, V. C.; J. R. Santo, P.; H. D. Jewell, M. of E.; C. K. Seymour, M. of T.; W. E. Mour, K. of R. and S.; J. B. Johnson, M. of A.; board of trustees, A. D. Greene, Charles Holden and J. R. Waddell. After the convention the members, numbering conventi n the members, numberin about 100, sat down to a substantis lunch, and after the lunch enjoyed stag pedro.

Wants Pay for Her Wall. Wants Pay for Her Wall.

Mrs. Cordelia Fuller began suit in the superior court yesterday against the city to recover the value of her area wall on Fulton street, near the bridge. Some time ago she asked for an injunction restraining the city from proceeding with the work of improving the street. The injunction was denied. She now claims the city is destroying the value of the wall by covering it with the new grade.

the city. Colonel Calkins said that if an inspector were to be kept, aside from the special inspector, that tieneral Stevens was the best man for the place. On motion of Alderman Ball the matter of discharging old inspectors and of hiring others was referred to the health officer and the mayor, with power to act.

President Calkins announced some changes in the standing committees. They are now constituted as follows:

Burial Permits.

Marshal Peters, age 49 years Fair Plains. Orley Strand, age 13 years, Toledo-Greenwood. Mary McKinght, age 56 years, Cascade St. Andrews. John DeVries, age 61 years, No. 355 Hastings street—Fulton street. Anna J. Hacksema, age 2 years, No. 557 North lonis—Valley City. Edgar M. Smith, age 47 years, St. Marks. Christian Bergess, age 6 years, — Hamilton street—Greenwood.

more to ship. The farmers have received from 50 to 55 cents a bushel, and it is no uncommon thing for one man to have raised 3,000 bushels. Why, even the Indians have beer industrious this year, and are profiting by the failure of the potato crop in the south. One who owed us \$50 or \$60 came into the store the other day and wanted to square his account with potatoes. We told him to draw in what he had and we would let it apply on the debt. He drew in several loads, enough to square himself, and then wanted to know if we would buy the rest of his crop. We asked him how much he had, and he said, "Oh, about a thousand bushels." Think of that for an Indian. A year ago Northern Michigan farmers were paying \$18 a ton for hay, and wondering how they were going to meet the interest on their mortgaged farms. This year they are on the top notch of prosperity."

"Have you any idea what an important industry canning fruit has become?" asked W. H. Moore at the New Livingston yesterday. "It is really wonderful. We manufactured last year 700 tons of solder to be used in sealing tin fruit cans. Forty tons of solder will seal 3,000,000 dozen cans of fruit. There are a dozen other firms in the country that manufacture solder for fruit canners, so you can form some idea of the amount of fruit put up in the course of a year. The solder was formerly made into big bars and sold to the canning factories, but that plan was abandoned long ago. The solder is cut in triangular pieces and strung along a wire. One string is for the side seam, two more are for the ends and another is used to seal the hale in the end of the can. This solder is weighed carefully and the workmen is weighed carefully and the workmen are furnished exactly enough to seal the cans that they have to attend to. If they waste any of the solder they have to pay for the difference."

"Confidence in the natural gas fields is about played out," said J. B. Gillespie of Latonia, Ohio, at Sweet's yesterday. "Most everybody that uses it is making preparations to return to coal. The supply has already been cut off the factories and big business houses. It is used only in residences and the smaller note is. The companies have claimed all along that when the natural gas gave out water gas would be manclaimed all along that when the natural gas gave out water gas would be manufactured and supplied to the customers. None of it has been made yet; and probably none ever will be. Coal is too chesp in that section to make fuel gas profitable. One thing that has exhausted the supply of natural gas is the reckless manner in which it has been used. Millions of cubic feet have been permitted to go to waste, or else burned simply for the sake of illuminating the surrounding territory."

"I confess I have always envied Jay clearings over Gould," casually remarked a traveling last year was man at Sweet's yesterday. "I always of \$163,911.01.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Warner have bee employed as janitors of the building. They will have charge of the entire building, Mrs. Warner having especial charge of the fourth floor rooms, which will be rented to members of the se

The young man's meeting will held at the First Reformed church sunday afternoon. The association of the new building until the new held in the

Pleasure and progress the organ of the Y. M. C. A. will be issued today. Last Night's Fire.

The alarm of fire from box 52 at 7:50 last evening was caused by the explosion of a lamp at the residence of Otto Govenly, No. 12 Turner street. The fire caused no damage and had been extinguished when the department arrived.

At the regular meeting of the Imperial Lodge of Odd Fellows, No. 627, held last night on East street, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term. Noble Grand, E. D. Dempster; vice grand, George H. Pew; recording secretary, C. G. Keeler; permanent secretary, William A. Shaw, treasurer, W. S. Stevens. The installation will be held at the first meeting in January.

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Franklin Lodge No. 151, A. O. U. W., elected the following officers has night for the ensuing year: M. W., F. E. Cross; F., S. N. DeGraff; O., H. Shaar Etheridge; recorder, J. S. Livingstone; financier, F. R. Cross; R., Ernest Briggs; G., A. S. Crissey; I. W., H. D. Belcher; O. W., William D. Riley; trustee, S. V. DeGraff; representative to grand lodge, F. E. Cross; alternate, A. L. Christie.

L. Christie.

At the annual election of Lily Lodge,
K. of P., last night the following officers were elected: C. C., A. L. Calkins,
P., the Rev. J. T. Husted; M. of A.,
Gustave Oswald; K. of R. and S., Leo
Caro; M. of F., Frank Ward; M. of V.,

Caro; M. of F., Frank Ward; M. of V., Maurice Shanahan; board of trustees, I. F. Lamoreaux, Henry Leffingwell, W. J. Page; representative to grand lodge, Dennis E. Berry; alternate, W. J. Page.

The remains of Oria, the 14 year old son of Frank S. Stroud, formerly of this city, arrived here yesterday. The boy was killed by a street car in Ioledo. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock from the residence of the lad's sister, with whom he formerly lived.

At the United States custom house yesterday one case of books for F. M. Hulswit and one case for J. B. Hulswit, billed from Holland; also one case of glass for the Star Furniture company, billed from Holland, were cleared.

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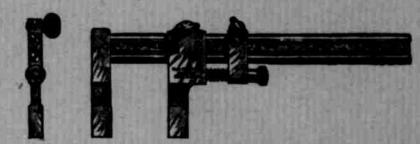
To-DAY the National Prison Association will meet in Ford's Opera House, Baltimore.

Ex-President Hayes will preside over the sessions which will last a week. It will be the most successful congress yet held, thanks to the labors of the Secretary Rev. John L. Milligan, who has attended every congress, national and international since the first one in London in 1872.

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